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SUBJ: BIG CHARACTER POSTERS IN SHANGHAI

1. SHANGHAI RADIO BROADCASTS AND NEWSPAPERS JANUARY 18 FEATURED BIG CHARACTER POSTERS THAT HAVE APPEARED THERE. THE BROADCASTS GIVE SOME FLAVOR OF THE CRITICISM IN THE POSTERS AND SUGGEST THAT CADRE ARE UNDER PRESSURE FOR NOT GIVING REAL AND ACTIVE SUPPORT TO THE MASS CRITICISM MOVEMENT.

2. ONE BROADCAST REPORTED A LETTER FROM COMMUNIST LEAGUE MEMBERS AMONG THE DOCKWORKERS CRITICIZING THEIR BOSSES FOR AN INADEQAKTE RESPONSE TO A POSTER READING "BE MASTERS OF THE WHARF AND NOT SLAVES OF TONNAGE." BY IMPLICATION, THE BOSSES HAVE PAID LIP SERVICE TO THE SLOGAN BUT NOT REALLY MENDED THEIR WAYS (WHICH PRESUMABLY ARE STILL ORIENTED TO PRODUCTION AND MATERIAL INCENTIVES).

3. THE LETTER REFERS TO A BLACKBOARD USED TO DISPLAY WORKPOINTS
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WHICH IS APPARENTLY AT ISSUE, BUT WHICH THE WORKERS DO NOT WANT

REMOVED AT THIS TIME. THEY ARGUE THAT "REMOVING THE BLACKBOARD WILL ACCOMPLISH NOTHING BECAUSE AN INVISIBLE BLACKBOARD WILL APPEAR." THE LETTER ASSERTS THAT THE POSTERS DO NOT MEAN THAT WORKERS ARE PREJUDICED AGAINST A CERTAIN LEADING MEMBER OR THAT THEY WANT TO TOPPLE SOMEONE THE LETTERS SAYS:"OUR STRUGGLE IS TO CRITICIZE THE REVISIONIST LINE WITHOUT EXCEPTION; OUR STRUGGLE OBJECTS ARE LIU SHAO-CHI AND LIN PIAO. OUR LEADERSHIP SHOULD NOT OPPOSE THE MASS MOVEMENT."

4. AMONG BIG CHARACTER POSTERS REPORTED IN A SEPARATE SHANGHAI BROADCAST, ONE READS "TURN PRESSURE INTO MOTIVE FORCE AND NIGHT SIDE BY SIDE WITH THE MASSES."
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